BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

Erik M. Thomas,

Complainant,

v.

Evergreen Lake Water Company,

Respondent.

Case No. WC-2006-0423

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE RESPONSE OUT-OF-TIME

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Issue Date: August 18, 2006

Effective Date: August 18, 2006

On July 28, 2006, the Missouri Public Service Commission ordered its Staff to conduct a two-part investigation into the alleged questionable business practices of Respondent. The results of the first part of the investigation were required to be filed with the Commission on or before August 1, 2006. The results of the second part of the investigation were required to be filed with the Commission on or before August 31, 2006.

On July 31, 2006, Staff filed a motion requesting until August 16th to file the results of the first part of its investigation. The Staff explained the additional time was required due to the death of the husband of Respondent's office manager. The office manager maintains the records required for the investigation and is not available at this time.

On August 17, 2006, the Staff filed its Response to Order Directing Staff Investigation and a Motion for Leave to File Response Out-of-Time. In support of its request to file its report one day late, the Staff noted that the attorney originally assigned to this case recently left the Staff's General Counsel's office and the newly assigned attorney did not complete the filing on time due to the press of other work.

The Staff's motion for leave to file out of time is reasonable and will be granted.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Staff's Motion for Leave to File Response Out-of-Time is granted.
- 2. This order shall become effective on August 18, 2006.

BY THE COMMISSION

Colleen M. Dale Secretary

(SEAL)

Cherlyn D. Voss Regulatory Law Judge, by delegation of authority pursuant to Section 386.240, RSMo 2000.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri, on this 18th day of August, 2006.